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Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace the abstract with the following new abstract:

The present invention is a video recorder having user extended and automatically extended time slots. The user has the option to extend a chosen time slot, in which a show is scheduled to be transferred to a storage device. The time slot may be extended before the show, after the show, or both. The system also implements an automatic extension of the time slot by default, which is used to ensure that the data is completely captured to the system, in case the broadcast and the set-top box are slightly out of sync, the broadcaster unexpectedly begins a show's broadcast slightly early or late, or the show unexpectedly runs longer than the IPG indicates.